

REMARKS

The application has been amended and is believed to be in condition for allowance. Claims 1-7 are cancelled.

Claims 8-25 were indicated to be directed to allowable subject matter. Claim 8 has been amended to be in independent form, taking into account the needed revision to the claim 1 recitations to remedy the stated bases of rejection under §112, second paragraph. Allowance of claim 8 and its dependent claims is therefore solicited.

The application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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